

## **STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS COUNTY OF NEWPORT**

The Board of Canvassers of the Town of Tiverton, County and State aforesaid held a Meeting at the Tiverton Town Hall, 343 Highland Road on Tuesday July 31, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chair Bobby J Harris-present  
Member Paul Amaral- present  
Alternate Jean Veegh-present

Vice Chair DeEtta Moran-absent  
Town Clerk-Nancy Mello-present  
Clerk Jeanne Spencer-present

Chairman Harris called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

### **1. Certify Mail Ballots Applications and FPCA's**

Twenty-one Mail Ballot Applications, nine for the Primary Election and twelve for the General Election were reviewed and certified by all Board Members present. The deadline for the Board of Canvass to certify mail ballots and get to the Secretary of State is August 22, 2014. 17-20-10(c)

### **2. Certification of Local Ballot Question for November 4<sup>th</sup> General Election**

Nancy Mello stated this was really just recertification of the Ballot question that which has been reviewed by the solicitor. The original wording for the title was too lengthy; should be narrowed down to twelve words stating the title without subsections. Had been approved with any necessary changes needed to title. A motion to certify the Ballot Question regarding Tiverton Home Rule Charter FTR date change was approved as motioned by Paul Amaral and second by Jean Veegh. Motion passed unanimously.

### **3. Discussion of Lottery for Non-Partisan Offices for General Election**

The Board discussed the reasoning behind the lottery for the candidate's positions on the ballot. Had been voted by BOC members several elections ago. Avoids alphabetical order where names beginning with ABC are placed first on ballot. Worked well in the past. Names put in container and picked. Need to notice all candidates of date. Mello suggested having the lottery meeting toward the end of August so as not to confuse with primary. Nancy will put together a bullet listing of candidates.

### **4. Board Member Items**

Nancy Mello stated the advertisement has been sent out regarding the Primary Election important dates to remember and will be in this week's Sakonnet Times. Adding, that an ad will also be placed for the General Election after the Primary so that dates are not confused. Poll Worker Training will be held Tuesday, August 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tiverton High School. Nancy made mention that the State will determine how the books are going to be divided this year and is hoping it doesn't cause any issues.

The next Board of Canvassers meeting will be at Town Hall on Thursday August 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. for further certifications and further discussions on Primary.

There being no further business, Bobby Harris made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jean Veegh. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:47 p.m.

Bobby Harris Chair\_\_\_\_\_DeEtta Moran, Vice Chair\_\_\_\_\_

Paul Amaral, member \_\_\_\_\_ Jean Veegh, Alternate\_\_\_\_\_

A True Copy: Attest\_\_\_\_\_Nancy L. Mello, Town Clerk